The latter are known as "Yang" & "Yin," the male and female principles of life. In the new they stand for "Motion & Rest," & "Force & Matter." This design is used on the Co.'s cars, printed matter, & on the windows of its ticket offices.



The Wabash shows a banner of red, with a black centre, on which is imposed the single word "Wabash." In 1884 the road copyrighted a trade-mark that showed

the forward part of a locomotive with the word "Wabash" illuminated by the rays of the headlight, & which was enclosed in an oblong square. This continued to be used until 1886, when it was changed into the form of a flag or banner, & from that time until now the Wabash R.R. has been known as the "Banner Route." Itwas afterward thought that the engine took up too much room on that the engine took up too much room on the banner & not enough space was given the word "Wabash," &, in order to make that word as conspicuous as possible, in 1894 the headlight was dispensed with, & the whole space on the banner was given to the word "Wabash."

Niagara Falls Park & River Rv .--- At the annual meeting at Osler & Hammond's office, Toronto, recently, the following were elected:—President, W. C. Ely, Buffalo, N.Y.; Vice-President, W. B. Rankine, Buffalo; General Manager, B. Van Horn, Buffalo; other directors, E. B. Osler, T. G. Blackstock, W. H. Beatty, Toronto; W. Hendrie, Hamilton; Secretary-Treasurer, R. F. Rankine, Buffalo.

The first sleeping cars built in Japan have just been completed.

The Great Northern Ry. is building at Superior, Wis., a steel grain elevator with a capacity of 2,500,000 bush.

An electric railway between Rome & Naples is proposed, the line being 133 miles long. The idea is to furnish fast trains, with frequent service.

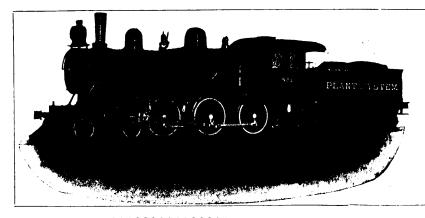
The à la carte system of dining cars of the Pennsylvania R.R. west of Pittsburg has been abandoned in favor of the table d'hote plan, ballots having been given to passengers for several months in order that they might vote as to their preference.

At the New Orleans station, at Paris, France, a most elaborate system of travelling ramps has been devised for the transportation of baggage about the building. The pieces are taken from the low level of the tracks & are hoisted to the baggage room, where they are discharged at sorting tables.

The Question of Freight Rates.

"St. Lawrence" writes:-We Canadians believe in political machinery to such an extent that we employ more of it than any other community in the world. For 6,000,000 people, we have nine governors, including the Governor-General, 70 ministers of the Crown, a central Parliament, & eight local legislatures, containing over 700 paid law-makers, not to mention the 2,500 municipal councils, with probably 10,000 unpaid ones; while of the office-holders, Federal, provincial, & municipal, it may be said, in Eastern hyperbole, that they are like grasshoppers for multitude. The only objection one hears on the street to the creation of a railway commission is that it will add to this tremendous outfit of governing apparatus. The objectors, however, are very few. When France owned Canada the Government operated for a time the iron forge at Three Rivers, &, besides maintaining a small army of lay employes, appointed a chaplain to the institution. "This," said a writer of the period, "is truly characteristic; every tenth man in Canada is office-holder or officeseeker, & everybody is pleased when a new berth, however superfluous, is created." Time has wrought many changes, but the craze for governing ourselves to death appears to be as deep-rooted as ever.

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		AVI	BRAGE		
ACRES.		YIELD.		TOTAL.	
Wheat	1,629,995	17.13		27,922,230	bus.
Oats	575,136	38.80	••	22,318,378	••
Barley	182,912	29.4	••	5,379,156	••
Potatoes.		168.5	••	3,226,395	••
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